

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the Office Action dated February 08, 2006, is respectfully requested. By this amendment, claims 1 and 4-9 are amended. Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. In view of the remarks set forth, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

Rejections under 35 USC §102

In the outstanding Final Office Action, claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,762,807 to Lee et al. (hereinafter *Lee*). The Examiner mentions that Figure 3 of *Lee* shows a side fixing frame comprising a frame body (second receptacle modules 410, 420 of *Lee*) and a pair of extended parts forming a U-shaped configuration. In addition, the Examiner mentions that the frame body (second receptacle modules 410, 420 of *Lee*) and each of the extended parts of *Lee* are respectively provided with at least one engaging element (bottom plate 412, 422, engaging recesses 414, 416, 424 and 426 of *Lee*) for coupling with a corresponding counterpart (engaging screws 451, 454, 453 and 456; engaging holes 432, 434, 442 and 444 of *Lee*) of a supporting frame (first receptacle modules 430, 440 of *Lee*).

After careful review of the citation, applicant respectfully does not agree with the Examiner. It is noted that the second receptacle modules 410, 420 of *Lee* include frame body, extended parts and bottom plate 412, 422, wherein engaging recesses 414, 416, 424 and 426 are formed at the intersection between the frame body and extended parts, and wherein the bottom plate 412, 422 is used for supporting the above LCD module 200 of the liquid crystal display device 100 but not for fixing the frame, shown in Fig.3 of *Lee* and the related description.

Clearly, no engaging element is shown on the frame body of the second receptacle modules 410, 420. The second receptacle modules 410, 420 of *Lee* is fixed to the first receptacle

modules 430, 440 through engaging screws 451, 454, 453 and 456 via engaging holes 432, 434, 442 and 444 of the first receptacle modules 430, 440. Accordingly, there is need for external engaging screws to fix the first receptacle modules 430, 440 and the second receptacle modules 410, 420 of *Lee*. In contrast with *Lee*, it is not necessary for employing external components to fasten the liquid crystal display device of the claimed invention. In other words, in the application, supporting frame of the liquid crystal display device is fixed to the side fixing frame by merely employing in-situ engaging element of the frame body with corresponding counterpart of a supporting frame without external components.

In addition, the bottom plate 412, 422 of *Lee* does not function as an engaging element of the frame body. Instead it is used for supporting the LCD device. The use in *Lee* as a support is set forth in *Lee's* description and particularly in Claim 1 of *Lee*. There are no counterparts of the bottom plate 412, 422 provided on the first receptacle modules 430, 440 for engagement. Accordingly, fixing mechanism and structure of *Lee* is absolutely different from the claimed invention.

It is respectfully pointed out that the technical feature of the claimed invention that the first engaging element provided on the frame body, the second engaging element provided on one end of the extended parts, and counterpart provided on the supporting frame is absent from *Lee*. Therefore, *Lee* does not teach the claimed invention.

Therefore, as described above, *Lee* fails to teach the structure set forth in amended claim 1 of the present application. Amended Claim 1 of the claimed invention therefore meets the requirement of novelty. Since Claims 2~9 depend on the amended Claim 1, these claims should be patentable upon the patentability of amended Claim 1.

Rejections under 35 USC §103

Claims 2-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Lee*. It is respectfully submitted that *Lee* fails to disclose such significant technical features of the claimed

invention. In particular, the fixing mechanism and structure of the claimed invention is absent from *Lee*. Furthermore, after carefully review of the citation, *Lee* does not teach, suggest or motivate the above-mentioned fixing mechanism and structure of the claimed invention.

In addition, it is emphasized that three sides of U-shaped configuration of the present invention are also provided with at least one engaging element for fixing. In contrast, only two sides extended parts of U-shaped configuration of *Lee* is utilized to fix the device. The fixing structure of the present invention processes a relatively stably fixing structure than that of *Lee*. A person skilled in the art would be unlikely to conceive the technical feature as claimed invention in view of *Lee*. Accordingly, amended Claim 1 of the present application meets the requirement of non-obviousness.

Since claim 1 is unobvious under 35 U.S.C. §103, dependent claims 2-9 are also non-obvious under 35 U.S.C. §103 and patentable over the prior art of record. It is further submitted that the results obtained by the claimed invention are unexpected over the prior art of record.

Applicant therefore submits that the response fully traverses the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103 set forth in the Office Action are respectfully requested.

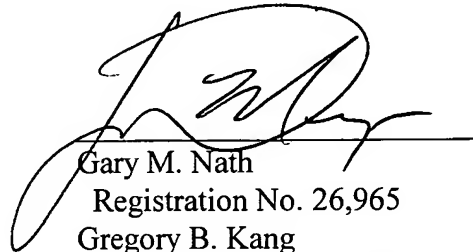
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the claims pending in the application comply with the requirements of 35 USC §102 and 35 USC §103(a) and patentably define over the applied art. A Notice of Allowance is, therefore, respectfully requested.

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